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SUBJECT: TURK CYPRIOT SECURITY FORCES FORMALLY ESTABLISHED

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1. "TFSC" SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCED AUGUST 19 THAT TURKISH FIGHTERS ORGANIZATION (TMT), WHICH HAD BEEN CLANDESTINE MILITARY FORCE HEADED BY MAINLAND COLONEL HAS FORMALLY REORGANIZED INTO REGULAR ARMY AND NAMED "TURKISH CYPRIOT SECURITY FORCES." SPOKESMAN, WHEN ASKED IF MILITARY REORGANIZATION WAS

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CONNECTED WITH ESTABLISHMENT OF SEPARATE STATE, REPLIED:

"REGARDLESS OF WHETHER SEPARATE STATE IS ESTABLISHED OR NOT THERE WAS A NEED TO REORGANIZE THE TURKISH CYPRIOT ARMED AND SECURITY FORCES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF OUR CURRENT STATUS."

2. COMMENT: REPORTS OF POSSIBLE MILITARY REORGANIZATION WHICH WOULD CREATE TURKISH VERSION OF GREEK CYPRIOT NATIONAL GUARD, FIRST SURFACED IN APRIL (REFTEL). REORGANIZATION MOVE, IN OUR VIEW, DOES NOT SIGNAL A NEW POLICY DEPARTURE OR STEP TOWARD UDI, BUT IT DOES UNDERSCORE TURKISH DETERMINATION TO CONSOLIDATE, REGULARIZE, AND SECURE THE EQUAL STATUS AND DE FACTO SEPARATION OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES. DAO WILL BE REPORTING SEPARATELY AND IN GREATER DETAIL.
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